



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and services in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the temporary export of Telstar 18 (formerly APSTAR V) Commercial Communications Satellite and its launch from international waters in the Pacific Ocean.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these articles and services having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Kelly  
Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable

J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.